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Claims 1 - 4, 21, 25, 28, 44 - 46, 50 - 51, and 54 have been amended. No new matter has been introduced with these amendments, all of which are supported in the specification as originally filed. Claims 26, 47, and 55 - 57 have been cancelled from the application without prejudice. Claims 1 - 25, 27 - 46, and 48 - 54 remain in the application.

I. Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Paragraph 4 of the Office Action dated January 13, 2006 (hereinafter, "the Office Action") states that Claims 1 - 14, 18 - 33, 37 - 48, and 50 - 55 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Ying, U. S. Patent 6,757,521. Claims 26, 47, and 55 have been cancelled from the application without prejudice. This rejection is respectfully traversed with regard to remaining Claims 1 - 14, 18 - 25, 27 - 33, 37 - 46, 48, and 50 - 54.

Applicants have amended their independent Claims 1, 25, 44, and 50 herein to more clearly specify limitations of their invention. Applicants respectfully submit that Ying fails to teach all limitations of these independent claims, as amended herein, as will now be described.

With regard to independent Claim 1, Applicants fail to find any teaching in Ying, for example, of "customizing the status information, by the centralised control system, for the operator based on a current location of the operator and the identified at least one of the job functions of the operator and the preferences of the operator" (Claim 1, lines 17 - 19, emphasis added).

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With regard to independent Claim 25, Applicants fail to find any teaching in Ying of:

- "a database containing a <u>profile</u> of each of a plurality of operators" (Claim 25, line 10, emphasis added); and
- "a <u>customizer</u> at the centralised control system for <u>customizing status information</u> about selected ones of the process sections, <u>using a selected one of the profiles</u> from the database, wherein the selected one of the profiles is the <u>profile of an</u> operator who is equipped with the mobile wireless device" (Claim 25, lines 11 14, emphasis added).

With regard to independent Claim 44, Applicants fail to find any teaching in Ying of:

- "locating a profile of the operator, the profile specifying at least one of job
 functions of the operator and preferences of the operator" (Claim 44, lines 11 12,
 emphasis added); and
- "using the located profile, by the centralised control system, to customize status information pertaining to the selected one of the process sections, responsive to query requests received from the mobile wireless device" (Claim 44, lines 13 15, emphasis added).

With regard to independent Claim 50, Applicants fail to find any teaching in Ying of "sending customized status information from the centralised control system to the mobile wireless device ..., the customized status information pertaining to the selected process section and being customized with regard to a profile of the operator, the profile specifying at least one

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of job functions of the operator and preferences of the operator" (Claim 50, lines 10 - 15, emphasis added).

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that their independent Claims 1, 25, 44, and 50 are patentable over the teachings of Ying. Dependent Claims 2 - 14, 18 - 24, 27 - 33, 37 - 43, 45 - 46, 48, and 51 - 54 are therefore deemed patentable over Ying (at least) by virtue of the patentability of the independent claims from which they depend. The Examiner is therefore respectfully requested to withdraw the §102 rejection.

II. Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Paragraph 6 of the Office Action states that Claims 15 - 17, 33 - 35 (believed by Applicants to be a typographical error that should refer instead to Claims 34 - 36), and 49 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ying. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

As discussed above, Applicants respectfully submit that their independent Claims 1, 25, and 44, from which Claims 15 - 17, 34 - 36, and 49 depend, are patentable over Ying.

Dependent Claims 15 - 17, 34 - 36, and 49 are therefore deemed patentable over the reference by virtue of (at least) the patentability of the independent claims from which they depend. The Examiner is therefore respectfully requested to withdraw the §103 rejection.

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III. Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending rejected claims, withdrawal of all presently outstanding rejections, and allowance of all remaining claims at an early date.

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